Rajasthan Electronics and Instruments Ltd., Kota during the years 1995-96 and 1996-97, alongwith the year-wise profit or loss thereof;

(b) whether Government are contemplating formulation of any scheme for improving the performance of Rajasthan Eectronics and Instruments Ltd., Kota;

(c) if so the details thereof; and

(d) what afforts are being made to reduce the cost as wall as to improve the quality of equipment produced in the said company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH BADAL): (a) Value of production and profits made by Rajasthan Electronics and Instruments Ltd., Jaipur (REIL) during the years 1995-96 and 1996-97 are as follows;

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Production	Profit before tax
1995-96	11.43	8.18
1996-97	16.94	0.02

(b) and (c) The Company has entered into manufacture of electronic energy maters with Government assistance, In addition, the Company is diversifying into Information Technology.

(d) REIL has been able to improve quality by installing quality systems for which the Company has been accredited with ISO-9001 certificate. Further, the Company has been able to reduce cast of production by introduction of value based techniques and improvement in procurement of raw materials.

Protection to Small Scale Units

2067. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of small scale units functioning in the country as on 31th January, 1999;

(b) the State-wise details of units closed and the number of such units running in losses, separately, out of it; and

(c) the steps taken, so far, by Government to give full protection to the Small Scale industry in the country?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT): (a) and (b) Since registration of small scale units is voluntary such data are not being maintained. However, Government have conducted a census of registered small scale units for the base year 1987-88 which revealed that out of 9,86,861 units registered upto 31.3.88 the number of closed units were 3,04,856. The state-wise break-up of registered and closed units is given in the statement. (*See below*)

(c) The Government has taken a number of steps from time to time to give full protection to small scale industries in the country which include (i) policy measures for reservation of items for exclusive manufacture in small scale sector, (ii) Reservation of items for exclusive purchase from SSI Sector by Government (iii) marketing support through National Small industries Coporation. State Small industries Development Corporation, (iv) fiscal concessions in the form of excise relief, (v) entrepreneurship development, (vi) technical support through inspection, guidance, workshop facilities, testing centres Tool Rooms and Product-cum-Process Development Centres, (vii) infrastructural support by the State Government through developed industrial plots, sheds (viii) Cradit to SSI under priority sector lending programme of the banks, financial and equity support through financial institutions.

Statement

Statewise Number of Registered Small Scale in the Frame 4 to 31st March, 1988 and Number of Units Found Closed During Second Census of SSI Units.
(Reference year 1987-88)

S.No.	State/UT	No. Of units	
		in the frame Found as on 31.3.1988	Closed
1.	Andhra Pradesh	54,762	14,813
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	368	36
3.	Assam	8290	1,732
4.	Bihar	53,602	14,992
5.	Delhi	18,293	5042
6.	Goa	3,800	957
7.	Gujarat	58.328	19,159
8.	Haryana	48,493	20,981
9.	Himachal Pradesh	10,836	2856
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	14,631	4031
11.	Karnataka	59,469	14,628
12.	Kerala	38,030	11,753
13.	Madhya Pradesh	1,24,553	35,479
14.	Maharashtra	50,589	10,925
15.	Manipur	2,641	169
16.	Meghalaya	748	136
17.	Mizoram	1,247	306
18.	Nagaland	274	83
19.	Orissa	13,892	3,607
20.	Punjab	94,544	23,657
21.	Rajasthan	50,001	17,940
22.	Sikkim	106	36
23.	Tamil Nadu	83,267	24,825
24.	Tripura	1,443	603
25.	Uttar Pradesh	95,285	37,261
26.	West Bengal	94,362	37,310
27.	Andman & Nicobar Island	441	88
28.	Chandigarh	2,014	640
29.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	185	33
30.	Daman & Diu	208	46
31.	Lakshdweep	—	—
32.	Pondicherry	2,159	722
		9.86,861	3,04,856